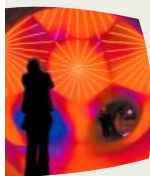




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Juneteenth Celebration

Celebrate Juneteenth on Saturday, June 17, 12:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Historic Oakland (5430 Vantage Point Rd). This event is free to the public with free snacks, Museum tours, exhibits, lectures/presentations, vendors, and entertainment. At the conclusion of the family activities, the celebration continues with an adult cocktail dance party. Tickets are \$75/per person.

The reception kicks off 6:00—7:30 p.m., followed by a dance party from 8:00—11:00 p.m. featuring the sounds of the Palovations, the sensational Baltimore singing group that thrilled the audience last year with their versions of Motown and R and B hits from the 70's, 80's and 90's. If you like to dance and “party with a purpose” you won’t want to miss this!

Visit the event website for more information and to purchase your tickets.



Human Rights Commission Student Position

The Howard County Human Rights Commission is currently accepting applications for the position of Student Commissioner to serve a one-year term from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 as a non-voting member on the Commission. The deadline for applications is Friday, June 16 at 5:00 p.m.

Applications are available [online](#) or call 410-313-6430. Eligible applicants will be interviewed by the current Human Rights Commissioners. The selected candidate will be sent to the County Executive for final approval, who will then submit his appointment to the County Council for confirmation.

Greetings

It’s been a week of changeable weather and the sunny days expected this weekend will feel like the middle of summer. Take precautions and stay hydrated if you plan to be out and about.

Mary Kay

Celebrate the Arts in the Park: Chair Contest

During Columbia’s 50th birthday season, the Inner Arbor Trust, Inc. (the “Trust”) is celebrating the arts by inviting artists to create up to 10 unique pieces of art out of wooden Adirondack chairs. Each piece will be displayed in Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods during Summer 2017.



Applications are due electronically by June 16, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. For more information and to fill out your application, visit the [Inner Arbor Trust’s website](#).

Consumer Protection Forum

Attend the Consumer Protection Forum hosted by Congressman John Sarbanes on Saturday, June 10 at 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. at the East Columbia 50 + Center (6600 Cradlerock Way). Representatives from the Federal Trade Commission and related agencies will share tips and best practices for avoiding common scams and fraud. Audience participants will be encouraged to ask questions and Congressman Sarbanes’ staff will be on hand to assist constituents with individual cases. For more information, visit the [Congressman’s website](#).

Bike With A Cop

Kids ages 5 -12 are invited to bike the pathways of Hickory Ridge with officers from HCPD's Pathway Patrol Section on Thursday, July 13, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Children ages 9 and under must be accompanied by an adult and helmets must be worn. The Hawthorn Center (6175 Sunny Spring) is the meeting point. To pre-register for this fun and free event, please call 410-730-7327 or visit the [event page](#).

Books in Bloom Readings

The Downtown Columbia Partnership in cooperation with the Howard County Library presents *Books in Bloom*, Columbia's inaugural book festival, on Sunday, June 11, 12:00 - 5:00 p.m., at Symphony Woods.

Books in Bloom will bring together some of the country's best and

brightest writers. Readings, panel discussions, a poetry wall and pop-up bookstore by Politics & Prose are featured. The book festival will launch the Howard County Library's summer reading program, *Summer@Your Library*, and will include crafts, games and activities for all ages. The festival is free and open to the public. Register [online](#) today.

The schedule of readings and other activities includes:

- 12:15 – Mikita Brottman, Author Tent 3
Oh He Dead performance, Beer & Wine Garden
- 12:30 – Laurie Frankel, Author Tent 1
Katherine Heiny, Author Tent 2
Jerdine Nolen, Children's Tent
- 1:00 – April Ryan and Michael Eric Dyson in conversation with DeRay McKesson, Chrysalis
- 1:15 – Feminism in Youth Adult Fiction Panel with Sonia Belasco, Christina June, Miranda Keannelly and Katy Upperman, Author Tent 3
- 1:20 – Oh He Dead performance, Beer & Wine Garden
- 1:30 – Eric Puchner, Author Tent 2
Karen Leggett Abouraya, Children's Tent
- 2:00 – Summer Reading Panel with Tayla Burney, Carrie Callaghan, Petra Mayer and Mary McCauley, Author Tent 1
- 2:15 – Ursula Werner, Author Tent 3
- 2:30 – Karen Branan, Author Tent 2
David Ebershoff, Chrysalis
Mary Amato, Children's Tent
- 2:45 – Jonny Grave performance, Beer & Wine Garden
- 3:15 – Jennifer Close, Author Tent 3
- 3:30 – Alec Ross in conversation with Brendan Bordelon, Author Tent 1
Ariel Winter, Author Tent 2
Debbie Levy, Children's Tent
- 4:00 – Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Chrysalis
Jonny Grave performance, Beer & Wine Garden

Be sure to come out and enjoy this day or literary appreciation.

Oldies Concert

On Friday, June 16, 2017, Rearview Mirror, Iris Hirsch and Glenn Bullion will be playing oldies from the 50s, 60s, 70s and beyond for the River Hill Village Center Courtyard Concert Series at the River Hill Village Center from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The concert is in front of the Vintage Cellars. Bring chairs and enjoy some great oldies music ; rock, pop, R&B, country and Motown covering such artists as Elvis, Stevie Wonder , the Drifters, the Shirelles, Bill Haley, Sam Cooke, Carol King & Patsy Cline. Rich harmonies & today's music technology, give Rearview Mirror a full band sound. This concert is weather dependent and is canceled if it rains. For more information call 301-596-2017 or 410- 427-4455.

Lakefront Movies

Movies will be screened at Lake Kittamaqundi under the stars on Mondays and Fridays from Monday, June 26 through Monday, Aug. 28. All films are closed-captioned. The Columbia Association's Lakefront Summer festival begins on Wednesday, June 23 and continues into September. Films shown on Mondays are appropriate for young audience members, with G - and PG-rated selections such as "The Secret Of Pets," "Moana" and "Zootopia." The Friday movies are rated PG and PG-13, with selections such as "La La Land," "Hidden Figures," and "Doctor Strange." A full schedule can be found on [CA's website](#).

Solstice 2017

Solstice, the Maryland Science Center's Annual Fundraiser is held on the Saturday closest to the Summer Solstice. This year



marks the 40th annual celebration, and the event will be on Saturday June 17, 8:00 p.m.—12:00 a.m. Dance the night away and celebrate the education and outreach programs of the Maryland Science Center. There will be a feast, signature cocktails, live music, and a

silent auction for vacations, sports memorabilia, jewelry, artwork and more.

Strap on your dancing shoes and get ready to party. This year guests are able to take in stunning views of Baltimore City from the rooftop terrace while enjoying cocktails and vintage soul beats by DJ Soul Party. For more information about this fundraising event, visit [Maryland Science Center's website](#).

CA Open House Weekend

Enjoy free classes, special activities, demos and more at CA's Open House on Saturday, June 24 and Sunday, June 25. Several CA facilities will offer free admission to non-members and access to all amenities. Special offers for CA memberships and personal training will also be available.

For a full list of participating facilities, a schedule of activities and to preregister, please visit [the event webpage](#).

Lil' Stars

Join in the fun on June 10 at 10:00—10:30 a.m. for a classic planetarium presentation in the NatureSphere followed by an activity about Dwarf Planets! (Ages 3+) Give your child a special nighttime experience during the day by letting them discover outer space through interactive activities! Each month the Robinson Nature Center focuses on a different theme from the colors of stars, to the stories behind a constellation, to the seasonal changes in the sky. [Preregister online](#) to secure your seats.

Chamber Concert

Sunday, June 11 at 3:00 p.m. is the final chamber concert of the season for the Columbia Orchestra at St. Francis of Assisi (8300 Old Columbia Road, Fulton). The jazzy lyricism of Milhaud's Creation of the World meets the brooding Romanticism of Brahms' C Minor Piano Quartet and the classical humor of Mozart's Musical Joke. It's an eclectic program not to be missed! Tickets for adults ages 18 & up are \$5 each and will be sold only at the door. Tickets for children are free.

Upcoming Columbia Festival of the Arts Events

LakeFest

Friday, June 16 — Sunday, June 18

Columbia Lakefront

This [three-day event](#) includes live music, kids' entertainment and crafts, a fine arts and craft sale, festival food fare, a Clyde's HowardOnTap Beer Fest, and a variety of activities for all ages. Make sure to check out [Architects of Air](#) while you are there.

Aaron Neville

Sunday, June 18 ■ 7:30 p.m.

James Rouse Theatre

Aaron Neville returns to the Columbia Festival of the Arts with longtime pianist Michael Goods for an evening of songs and stories. He will sing his favorite classics from rhythm and blues, soul, and even the street-corner doo-wop of his youth. Tickets are limited, [purchase them now!](#)



Sprout Film Festival

Saturday, June 24 ■ 4:00 p.m.

Monteabara Hall, Horowitz Center, HCC

[Sprout](#) showcases films related to the field of developmental disabilities, fulfilling its mission to make the invisible visible. Founded in 2003, this film festival features thought provoking, beautiful films for and about individuals with disabilities.

Interested in volunteering? The festival is still looking for help.

[Apply now!](#)

Reminders & More

Role of Men Workshop

Saturday, June 10 ■ 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Balt-Wash United Methodist Church Mission Center
11711 E Market Place, Fulton**

Explore important questions about healthy masculinity and ways in which men and boys can act to diminish the levels of violence within our community. The program is appropriate for all community members. For more information and to register, please visit [HopeWorks' website](#).

Woodcuts and Watercolors Art Exhibit

June 10 ■ 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Artist's Gallery, Old Ellicott City

The Artists' Gallery is hosting an art exhibit of Ellen Corddry's woodcuts and watercolors. Corddry will demonstrate the process of designing a woodcut, transferring the design to the wood block, and cutting the wood. She will also make a few small prints on the spot. Click [here](#) for more information.

Home Improvement Workshop

Tuesday, June 20 ■ 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

HCLS Central Branch, 10375 Little Patuxent Pkwy, Warfield Meeting Room

Are you a fan of watching HGTV shows but don't know where to start when it comes to updating your own home? Join the conversation with local architects and design professionals. Discuss DIY projects, explore overall visions for revamping your space, and learn some practical ideas for revitalizing older homes. There are still openings for this event, [register today](#).

The Longest Table

Thursday, June 28 ■ 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Howard Community College

The first of its kind in Maryland, guests will have the opportunity to exchange stories about life in our diverse community and gain a better understanding of to find common ground. Dinner will be provided. Visit [Choose Civility's website](#) for more information.



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